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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 27TH, 1909.

On the extremely limited information
which the cables gave us regarding the
conclusion reached by the responsible
scientific body at Copenhagen to whom Dr.
Cook preferred to entrust his Polar records
with a view to securing for his claim to
have been the first man to reach the
North Pole the endorsement of a com-
petent scientific body of investigators,
it might be yet too early to say that
he is proved to be a charlatan and a—Dr.
ROUSEMENT. The verdict of the Copen-
hagen committee is that the records do not
prove the claim which has been made for
them. It does not necessarily corroborate
the story recently cabled that a certain
retired navigator named LOOSE and an
insurance agent named DUNKLE had "con-
fessed" in the columns of a New York
newspaper that they supplied Cook with
fabricated nautical and astronomical obser-
vations which would be taken by an
explorer on a polar journey. Doubtless
this clumsy tale has been believed by
thousands of persons, but we cannot imagine
how anyone who knew that Cook is a
trained scientific man fully qualified to take
nautical and astronomical observations, and
that he had previous polar experience, could
have placed the slightest credence in the
story for a single moment. Messrs.
LOOSE and DUNKLE made their "revelation"
confessedly on the ground that "Cook had
disappeared without putting up the sum of

4,000 dollars which he had pledged himself
to pay for the spurious observations." We
are in complete agreement with the following
comment on this statement which we notice
in one of our Eastern contemporaries:—
"The public is bound to believe, therefore,
that, had Cook been rich enough to pay this
money, Messrs. LOOSE and DUNKLE would
have kept silence, and thus aided and abetted
a villainous fraud. Can any credit properly
be attached to the statements of men who
deliberately write themselves down as
rascals? Apart from this, there is the
obvious consideration that Cook must be
not only an unparalleled schemer, but
also one of the clumsiest schemers ever
created."

Whatever may be the
truth about Cook, he has at least some
courage; but, as for these men LOOSE and
DUNKLE, who first deliberately become
parties to a fraud and then in the most
shameless manner proclaim themselves
forgers because hush-money is not forthcom-
ing, we regard them as much more contempt-
ible sinners than Cook can be at the worst."

So, we think, will most people. We have
said that Cook possesses the requisite
knowledge to take scientific observations.
Our authority for that statement is
Dr. STRONGEN, Professor of Astronomy
at the University of Copenhagen
and Director of the Royal Observatory, by
whom we were told in the papers that Dr.
Cook was questioned and cross-questioned
and examined as to his knowledge of the
theory of astronomy and the practical use
of astronomical instruments. "Professor
STRONGEN," we are told, "came to the
conclusion that Dr. Cook knew 'how to
take observations and that there was no
reason to doubt his assertions that he had
been to the Pole, and that he possessed the
requisite scientific knowledge to be able to
locate it when he did reach it." That being
so it is fairly evident that Cook, even if it
be a fact that he did not reach it, is prob-
ably quite as competent as Captain LOOSE
to work out the nautical and astronomical
observations requisite to support his
declaration that he actually did reach
the Pole on April 21st, 1908, and could
hardly have needed to purchase their assist-
ance in the matter. On the other hand,
if it was really necessary for him to
rely on these fabricated observations to
support his claim under the scrutiny of the
scientific world, it is likely that he would
have "given the show away" for the sake
of a sum of \$4,000, which he is alleged to
have promised? Cook, since his return
from the polar regions, is said to have made
by lecturing and writing upwards of
\$30,000 before he "disappeared." His
silence in regard to the result of the
investigation of his records by the Copen-
hagen scientists is certainly remarkable
and lends some support to the accusations
of his calumniators. Mr. STEAD, when he
interviewed Cook at Copenhagen after his
return from the polar regions, wrote:—
"Whether Dr. Cook ever reached the North
Pole or not of one thing I am certain—he
is honestly convinced that he did. He may
be suffering from a hallucination; he may
have dreamed the whole thing. But he was
and is incapable of conceiving so colossal a
fraud as that of deceiving the whole human
race by a made-up tale. Dr. Cook has never
asked anyone to do more than hold judgment
in suspense. His language throughout
has been consistent. 'I have come
back,' he said, 'from the North Pole. I
have the material in the shape of daily
observations which will prove that I have
been there. But until I have told my whole
story and produced my proofs I do not
ask you to accept the truth of my statement.
That will come in due time. When you have
heard the evidence, then pronounce your
judgment.' That was a fair request, but we
should much like to hear now from Dr.
Cook on the announcement that the sci-
entists of Copenhagen have found as a matter
of fact that these records do not prove his
claim. To-day we publish a telegram stating
that Cook has been expelled from the
Explorers' Club of New York, following an
adverse report of the Committee on his claim
to have reached the summit of Mt. McKinley.
Cook's first attempted ascent of this moun-
tain was made in 1903 and proved a failure.
He made another expedition in 1906 and
claimed that "after a long period of noising
round the mountain" he struck a route which
brought him and his companion to the top,
an altitude of 20,390 ft. Cook wrote a book
on the subject entitled "The Top of the
Continent." His claim has been disputed,
and is now "adversely reported upon" by
the Explorers' Club. So until Dr. Cook
chooses to emerge from his retirement to
combat the verdicts of the scientific investi-
gators, or to show cause why they should
not be accepted as conclusively disproving
his claims, he is, to use the mildest term, a
discredited man.

The temperature at Tientsin early on the
morning of December 9 reached a minimum of
8 degrees F., or 24 degrees of frost.

The American tourists brought their visit to
a close yesterday. The Cleveland left for the
North just before noon.

One thousand tins of prepared opium were
seized last week on the Customs wharf at
Manila. The local value of the seizure, at P223
per kilo, amounts to P51,236 and the appraised
value is about P6,000, which will give a
handsome reward to the native customs police-
men through whose vigilance the capture was
effected.

Dr. Morrison, the Peking correspondent of
the London Times, is to leave the capital on
January 14 on a trip across North-China to
Shankai (New Dominion), thence to Europe.
During his absence Mr. Lovat Fraser, editor
of the Foreign Department of the London
Times, will take his place in Peking. Mr.
Lovat Fraser is one of the three editors on the
foreign staff of the Times, and has been for
many years editor of the Indian Times.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

December 23rd.

ARMED ROBBERS.

A letter from Sheung Shan states that a
number of pirates took possession of the island
and a village near it. These places they forti-
fied and proceeded to terrorize the villagers and
those travelling on the water. This state of
affairs was reported to the Brigadier-General
of the district, who sent a detachment of troops
against the pirates and forced them to quit
their position. Several of their boats were also
captured after a hard fight.

A day or two ago a gang of over 100 well-
armed robbers looted the Tip Kow village near
Fat Shan. Being disappointed in the value of
their booty, they seized two persons and took
them to hold for ransom. Soon after a band of
the villagers headed by the local watchman gave
battle to the robbers and after a severe fight suc-
ceeded in rescuing one of the captives, who was found to
be severely injured. The stone-paved roadway
leading up to the village was dyed with blood
and several persons were severely injured during
the fight.

The Brigadier-General of the Chin Chow
District has wired the Viceroy to the effect
that bandits having so much increased in num-
ber he intends to make a march with his troops
through the various villages of the district and
root out all the bad characters. He also applies
for permission to try offenders on the spot and,
if necessary, decapitate them.

Three notorious robbers were conveyed from
Nam Ho Gao to the execution ground the
day before yesterday and there beheaded.

A GREAT FESTIVAL.

Yesterday a public holiday was observed
throughout the City, the occasion being the
"Tung Tsai" or festival of the Winter Solstice.
All schools and colleges were given a holiday and
the offices of the vernacular Press were closed.
There was an enormous amount of cracker firing
and joss-paper burning and still greater amount
of feasting, and pork and chicken were in great
demand. It is customary on this day for the
provincial officials to repair to the temple in
which the Imperial Tablets are kept and there
offer obeisance. This year, however, the ceremony
did not take place, orders from the North having
cancelled it, the reason being that the Court is
not yet out of mourning.

A NEW OFFICIAL.

The newly-appointed Provincial Treasurer is
soon to arrive and the authorities here are
seeing that everything is in readiness for him.
The new Treasurer is said to be an enlightened
man and extremely fond of learning. It is
reported that his baggage contains more than
100 cases of books. About 20 persons are
travelling with him.

FROM THE ARMY.

A petty officer in charge of an outpost near
Sam Shui in a fit of jealousy murdered his
subordinate, and was consequently taken before
the Punishment Bureau for trial. The man
gave very vague answers to the interrogations
put to him and would not confess his
guilt. The case was reported to the Viceroy,
who ordered that the offender should be degraded
in rank and that further steps should be taken
to find out the details of the girl's death.

All is not harmony in the Military Music
Department. The director was negligent in the
discharge of his duties, and in consequence
several musical instruments vanished and have
not been found. He blamed three bandmasters
and certain men in whose charge the instruments
were placed. The affair being brought to the
Viceroy's notice the director was pardoned on
his expressing willingness to pay for the missing
articles, but the bandmasters and the instrument
custodians have been given each a black mark.

OPIMUM.

The locality known as Sai Chuen is not yet
policed and, as may be expected, the opium laws
are set at defiance. An informer has lately
reported to the Provincial Military Bureau that
a certain man keeps an opium den where
smokers (many of them being soldiers) are
allowed to indulge freely in the drug. On the
rare occasions when the place has been searched
resistance has always been given to the
authorities. The Anti-Opium Bureau has
directed the Nam Ho magistratus to send a
sufficient force to the place to seal it up and
arrest the proprietor.

EDUCATION.

The Minister of Education has directed the
Viceroy to inform the Provincial Educational
Commissioner that in future all students com-
pleting their term of instruction in the
Middle Schools are to be examined
by him personally. Without this per-
sonal examination no certificate will be

granted. The Commissioner is also ordered to
reprimand the Warden and teachers of any
school in which the number of failures amounts
to more than one-third of the total candidates
presented.

The private schools are also coming in for
attention. Some of these institutions are by
no means worthy of the name of schools, the
buildings being unsuitable, the instruction
meagre and the teachers incompetent. Deputies
are being sent to enquire into these matters
with a view to remedying the present state of
affairs.

CHRISTMAS SPORT.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. v. UNITED SERVICES.

This two days' match opened on the ground
of the Hongkong Cricket Club on Saturday in
the presence of a large number of spectators.
The Services' team went to the wickets first,
and was disposed of for a total of 324. To this
Lieut. Green contributed the excellent score of
111 and carried his bat. Captain Mayhew
knocked up a useful 54, and Commander Lewis
completed 39 before succumbing to a delivery
from Young. Four of the Services wickets fell
to R. E. H. Oliver for 86 runs, while A. H.
Young and R. E. O. Bird took three apiece, the
former for 57 and the latter for 105 runs. The
scores now stand:—

UNITED SERVICES.

Commander Lewis, c. Blagden, b. Bird	30
Staff-Sergeant Fowler, b. Bird	0
Lt. Felly, b. Oliver	15
Commander Lewis, b. Young	89
Capt. Bird, c. Bird, b. Oliver	5
Capt. Garrett, c. Martin, b. Oliver	5
Capt. Mayhew, b. Young	54
Lt. Green, not out	111
Lt. Bagall, c. Hancock, b. Bird	17
Lt. Hutton, b. Oliver	7
Flag-Lt. Mullineux, c. Pearce, b. Young	13
Extras	80
Total	324

Bowling Analysis.

R. E. O. Bird	23	0	105	3
R. E. H. Oliver	24	3	86	4
A. C. Leith	7	1	34	0
A. H. Young	84	1	17	2
A. A. Clifton	57	1	105	3

The match will be continued at 10 a.m.
to-day.

FOOTBALL.

Friendly.

H.K.F.C. v. H.M.S. "KING ALFRED."
This match was played on the Club Ground
immediately after the American game on
Saturday, and a large crowd of spectators was
present. The teams were:—

H.K.F.C.—A. Gregory, E. F. Aucott and J.
McCabbin; H. W. Kilby, R. C. Barlow and B.
Chapman; A. Aitchison and L. L. Goldenberg;
A. Hamilton, A. Whitmarsh and J. Darby.
King Alfred.—Tagwell; Haw and Ehrlich;
McBean; Boyan and Richardson; Steele and
Fleming; Reid; Evans and Hobbs.

The Club were first to be aggressive, Hamilton
and Goldenberg with a combined effort carrying
the ball up to Tagwell, but he cleverly cleared
his charge and putting out Haw saved the
situation by driving well up the field. Reid
and Fleming gave the Club defence a lot of
trouble, and on one occasion McCabbin had to
retire to attend to his knee, which was injured
in his jumping to clear the ball. Returning to
the attack the Club quintette gave a pretty
exhibition of combination, and the run fittingly
terminated in Hamilton finding the net.
Evans equalized for the King Alfred before the
interval with a magnificent drive from a difficult
angle, and no further scoring taking place the
game ended in a drawn game, two goals being
divided. The flagship tried a new back in
Ehrlich, who acquitted himself in a most satis-
factory manner, and Evans made his reappearance
in place of Leo.

Small Ships' League.

H.M.S. "WHITING" v. H.M.S. "JANUS."
This match was played on the Naval Ground
on Saturday and resulted in an easy win for the
Whiting by five goals to nil. The goal scorers
were Holcombe one, Edgar one, and Sullivan
three. One of the goals scored by Sullivan
was from a penalty for hands against the
right back of the Janus.

AMERICAN RUGBY.

Teams from U.S.S. Pennsylvania and U.S.S.
West Virginia met in a "Rugger" match
on the Club Ground on Saturday after-
noon. A crowd which must have numbered
at least two thousand, and at times made enough
noise for twenty thousand, was present, and for
the forty minutes the game lasted the wildest
excitement prevailed. The opening of the
game was the signal for the supporters of the
West Virginia to give vent to a club yell,
and the challenge was taken up by the support-
ers of Pennsylvania in the open stand, and
they replied with groans and hisses.

The ball having been set in motion by the
Virginians both teams at once adopted blocking
tactics and the players were soon heaped in
the centre of the field, a "down" having
been effected. Play was of a very even nature
until the whistle sounded for the interval
without any scoring taking place.

The recommencement of operations saw the
Pennsylvanians on the attack, and from a well-
directed pass one of the wing players was suc-
cessful in taking the ball to touch and downing it.
The ensuing kick was a very poor one, and the
Pennsylvanians had to be content with five points.
From the kick-off the Pennsylvanians were again
on the attack and before time was called added
eight more points, making their total thirteen
points to nil. Those who did not under-
stand the game had no difficulty in following the
score, as the reserve men patrolled the line
declaring the number of points for their team
and calling encouragement to the players with
great enthusiasm. After the game the winning
team was photographed with the cup which they
won.

TELEGRAMS.

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DR. COOK DISCREDITED.

EXPULSED FROM THE NEW YORK
EXPLORERS' CLUB.

LONDON, December 25th.

It is reported from New York that
the committee of the Explorers' Club,
which has been investigating Dr.
Cook's claim that he climbed Mt.
McKinley, has reported adversely.

Dr. Cook has been expelled from
the Club.

GERMAN DECORATION FOR
A JAPANESE OFFICER.

LONDON, December 25th.

A Berlin telegram states that the
Kaiser has conferred the Order of the
Red Eagle, Second Class, on Major-
General Makamura, serving in North
China.

THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR
TO WASHINGTON.

LONDON, December 25th.

President Taft has received Mr.
Uchida, the new Japanese Minister to
Washington.

THE CHINESE NAVAL
COMMISSION.

LONDON, December 25th.

The Chinese Naval Commissioners
have inspected the shipyards at
Genoa.

LONDON, December 26th.

The members of the Commission
are now at Rome.

TRAIN COLLISION IN
EUROPE.

LONDON, December 26th.

The Prague-Vienna express came
into collision with a goods train at
Chotzen (Bohemia).

Ten persons were killed and 28
injured.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, December 26th.

The death is announced of ex-
Inspector Stanton, of the Hongkong
Police.

[Detective-Inspector Stanton was one of the
officers dismissed from the force in 1897—at the
time of the famous Police Scandal—for gross
neglect of duty in not reporting a common
gaming house in Wa Lane.]

Without unbecomingly self-gratulation, says a
Manila contemporary, Manila may speak proudly
of the way her people rose to the occasion of
the visit of Clarke's tourist party—the first big
party of American tourists to visit the capital
of the Philippines.

It is good to find, says the Foochow Echo,
that the once-popular Amateur Dramatic and
Musical Society of Foochow bids fair to be
given a new lease of life under the newly-
appointed Committee and has actually advertised
that it is putting on the boards two farces next
week. Although these farces—Betsy Baker and
B.B.—are by no means new, still they are
sufficiently old to be fresh and are such as will
enable Mr. Collins, to whom the reconstitution of the
Society is almost entirely due, to form some opinion
as to the amount of talent on which he may draw
for further and ambitious plays in the future.
Our contemporary adds:—We can confidently
predict that should next Tuesday's results prove
sufficiently satisfactory to him and his conferees
that he and they will not be behindhand in
arranging for the staging of plays more in
accordance with the best traditions of the
Society. The older residents of the port will
call to mind the plays staged in more palmy
days, when we had a goodly number of local
actors and actresses from which to select a
cast, and will understand that things theatrical
have, like others in this port, declined. But
still, we feel sure, that now operations have been
once resumed there will be a continuance of
movement in the local dramatic talent, and
we look forward with confidence to the
presentation of many more plays in the
near future for the enlightenment of the com-
munity. What the Society wants is some
evidence that their efforts to amuse are ap-
preciated, and we feel certain that such evidence
will be forthcoming during the time the cur-
tain is up on "Betsy Baker" and "B.B." not
only because the community will feel that it
is their duty to do so, but from a feeling of
genuine pleasure at the performance.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS.

Christmastide in Hongkong passed with the
usual rejoicings. The weather was fine and
bracing, and many people took advantage of it
to enjoy themselves out of doors. There were
reunions round numerous festive boards, and
dull care, for the nonce, was laid aside
as "the compliments of the season" were
exchanged. The sport at the Valley proved
more interesting than usual, for in addition
to the British games which took place,
there were matches at American Rugby and
baseball, provided by the crews of the American
warships in port. On the ground of the premier
cricket club, a two days' match between the
United Services and a Club team was started,
and this will conclude to-day.

The Sunday intervening between Christmas
and the Boxing Day Holiday gave a longer
cessation from business than ordinarily, and the
relaxation was enjoyed by most people. Of
course the young-folks received no little atten-
tion, and Christmastide proved very joyous
indeed to them.

Services were held in most of the churches.
Tommy Atkins celebrated the occasion in and
out of barracks, and the men on the warships
were all united in observing the great Christian
festival.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

The Christmas morning service was attended
by an exceptionally large congregation, and the
full choir service was beautifully rendered.
Dr. Elgar's Festival Te Deum in F was
given by the choir, and the anthem sung was
West's "With All Thy Hosts." The Bishop
of Victoria preached an appropriate and in-
teresting sermon, and the collections were taken
on behalf of the Diocesan Girls' Home and
Orphanage.

Yesterday both services were well attended,
that in the evening being fully choral, with Mr.
Denman Fuller at the organ.

X'MAS AMONG THE SAILORS AND SOLDIERS.

On X'mas morning there was a service at the
Westway Church, which was chiefly a parade
service for sailors and soldiers, but a good num-
ber of civilians were present.

The Rev. J. A. A. Baker chose for his text
"She laid him in a manger because there was
no room for him in the inn," and showed how
this picture of the Christ born in a manger
because there was no room for him in the inn is still
true in a higher sense in modern life. In our age,
said the preacher, there is a lack of a strenuous
effort after great ideals, there is little time spent
in "religious exercises" by the average man,
and though sporting news and political news is
rightly followed closely, the great war of light
against darkness and the progress of the
Christian forces in that fight is followed only
from afar. Thus Christ is crowded out of
modern society; time is so fully spent in other
things that the chief things are forgotten. The
reason is the same as of old. They did not
know who they were putting up at the inn or
they would have made great preparations. To-day
men think they can do without Christ. They
have not discovered Him. Many of them
know the Christ of tradition, but not the Christ
as He was. There is a veil over Him and over
their own heart which makes the vision dim.

At the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home there was
a X'mas dinner arranged for the men by Mr.
and Mrs. Pepperell, and in the evening an im-
promptu concert was given by the men. The
Home was splendidly decorated for the occasion.
Paper chains and mistletoe were greatly in
evidence, the manager and his wife having
spent a good deal of time on this to ensure that
the men should have as good a substitute as
possible for their own homes.

AT THE NAVAL YARD.

The men of the Naval Yard held the
usual sports meeting at the Happy Valley, and
extended a real Christmas welcome to their
guests. After an enjoyable morning's outing
principals and visitors returned to the police
quarters in the Yard, where an excellent dinner
was partaken of, and as glasses clinked the
toast of the season was honoured.

REJOICINGS IN BARACKS.
Throughout the barracks of the Colony the
season of peace and goodwill was joyously
celebrated. The halls and rooms in which the
festivities were held were artistically decorated,
the walls bearing the legends "Long live the
King," "Health to our officers and their
families," and "Health to our comrades at home
and abroad." The various Officers Commanding
visited the barracks at noon and proceeded to the
N. C. O.'s messes and men's quarters
where the toast "Our Officers" was honoured
in the usual enthusiastic manner, and the C.
O.s. suitably replied. In many of the barracks
the day's festivities were succeeded by a
"smoker" in the evening, when "wine and
song" kept those present merry until the
midnight hour.

ON THE U.S.S. "PENNSYLVANIA."

The crew of the U.S.S. Pennsylvania held a
smoking concert and boxing contest aboard
that ship on Christmas Eve, and extended invita-
tions to the crews of warships of other nation-
ality in port. The entertainment was thoroughly
enjoyed by all who attended, for the Ameri-
cans were lavish in their hospitality, and left
nothing undone to give their guests a real
good time.

Sugar affairs, remarks a Manila contemporary,
are looking up in Panay as a result of the pas-
sage of the Payne bill. Messrs. Evans and
Weinstein of Passi have already ordered from
the United States a modern six-roller sugar
mill which will be operated by a 35 horse-power
engine. The mill will be installed on their
Passi estate. There are some old-fashioned
three-roller mills now in operation in the
district, but it is expected that with a modern
mill it will be possible not only to grind the
cane of the Passi estate but much of that
grown in the neighbourhood.

NOTICE

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THE Steamship

"DELHI."

Captain G. W. Gordon, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, &c., on SATURDAY, the 8th January, 1910, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "MOHRA," 1,000 tons, from Colombo, passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the F.M.S. "DELHI," due in London on the 19th February, 1910.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 27th December, 1909. [1]

NOTICE

IN Terms of GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION No. 804 of 17th December, 1909, the following days will be observed as BANK HOLIDAYS:—

MONDAY, 27th December.
SATURDAY, 1st January.
MONDAY, 3rd
Hongkong, 20th December, 1909. [1552]

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

X'MAS & NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

IN Terms of GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION No. 804 of 17th December, 1909, all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on the following days:—

MONDAY, the 27th December.
SATURDAY, the 1st January.
MONDAY, the 3rd

By Order,
A. R. LOWE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1909. [1554]

MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

X'MAS & NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

IN Terms of GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION No. 804 of 17th December, 1909, all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on the following days:—

MONDAY, the 27th December.
SATURDAY, the 1st January.
MONDAY, the 3rd

By Order,
A. R. LOWE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1909. [1555]

NEW YEAR GOODS

CARDS, CRACKERS, DOLLS, POSTAGE STAMPS, &c.

GRACA & CO.
1259
27, Des Vaux Road.

NOTICE

SUITABLE FOR TOURISTS.

NEATLY-BOUND ALBUMS containing representative Photographs of Hongkong, Canton and Macao, and showing some of the ancient edifices of the two latter places. Copies can be obtained from

A. FONG, Photographer,
31, Queen's Road, Central, and
M. STERNBERG, Post Card Dealer,
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also, GRACA & Co. Stamp Dealers,
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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1909. [1557]

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SIEMSEN & Co.
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Sole Agents
Hongkong, 8th December, 1909. [1494]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

CAMPBELL, MOORE & CO., LTD.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Co.'s Offices, 14, Des Vaux Road, Central, First Floor, on WEDNESDAY, the 29th December, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the Eighteen Months ending 30th June, 1909.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 22nd to the 29th December, both days inclusive.

By Order,
F. ELLIS,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 15th December, 1909. [1523]

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above named Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. STRAW, TOMES & Co., Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 30th day of December, 1909, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the Subjoined Resolution, that is to say:—

That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered

1. By inserting therein immediately after paragraph 4 of Clause VIII. a new paragraph as follows:—

5. Whenever the Capital of the Company is divided into several Classes of Shares all or any of the rights and privileges attached to any Class may be modified altered and divided and rearranged or dealt with by Special Resolution of the Company passed pursuant to an Agreement in writing made between the Company and some member of the Class purporting to contract on behalf of the member of the Class provided such agreement shall be ratified by Extraordinary Resolution passed at a separate Meeting of the Class or by writing under the hand of the holders of at least two-thirds of the Shares of the Class and it shall be no objection to any such Agreement that it provides for a reduction of Capital otherwise than in accordance with the legal rights of the holders of shares of the Class or for the payment of a dividend or bonus otherwise than in accordance with the rights of the holders of the shares of the Class or for the allotment of shares credited as fully or partly paid up in satisfaction or part satisfaction of such dividend or bonus and for the purposes of this Clause a Resolution shall be an Extraordinary Resolution when it has been passed by a majority of not less than two-thirds of such members of the Class entitled to vote as are present in person or by proxy at a separate General Meeting of the Class of which Notice specifying the intention to propose the Resolution has been duly given and so that the quorum of any such Meeting shall be three members at least of the Class and so that the Meeting shall be entitled in accordance with the provisions hereof.

2. By inserting immediately after paragraph 7 of Clause XVI. a new paragraph as follows:—

8. Any General Meeting declaring a Dividend may direct payment of such Dividend wholly or in part by the distribution of specific assets and in particular of paid up shares Debentures or Debenture stock of the Company or of any other Company or in any one or more of such moneys and the General Manager shall give effect to such direction and where any difficulty arises in regard to the distribution they may settle in same as they think expedient and in particular may issue fractional Certificates and may fix the value for distribution of such specific assets or any part thereof and may determine that cash payments shall be made to any members upon the footing of the value as fixed in order to adjust the rights of all parties and may vest any such specific assets in Trustees upon such trusts for the persons entitled to the Dividend as may seem expedient to the General Managers. Where requisite a proper contract shall be filed in accordance with Section 7 of the Companies' Act, 1900, and the General Managers may appoint any person to sign such contract on behalf of the persons entitled to the Dividend and such appointment shall be effective.

Should the above Resolution be passed by the requisite majority it will be submitted for confirmation to a further Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened. Dated the 21st day of December, 1909.

By Order,
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

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SIEMSEN & Co.,
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Hongkong, 14th December, 1909. [1519]

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1st Cabin (Single Fare) \$1.20
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Hongkong, 17th December, 1909. [1531]

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AUCTIONS

E. R.
PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
TO-MORROW (TUESDAY) and
WEDNESDAY,
the 28th and 29th December, 1909, at 10 A.M.,
H. M. NAVAL ESTABLISHMENTS,
SUNDRY OLD AND SURPLUS
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Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1909. [1532]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Commander J. DA CUNHA LIMA, to Sell by Public Auction,
On THURSDAY,
the 30th December, 1909, at 3 P.M., on board, as she now lies off The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.'s Dock at Hangham,

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Anchors and Chains to be sold with the Ship. For further particulars apply to the Auctioneers.

A Steam Launch will leave Black Pier at 2.30 P.M., to convey intending purchasers.

Terms:—As Usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1909. [1548]

INSURANCES

NOTICE.

HAVING been appointed AGENTS in Hongkong for the WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY, we are prepared to accept approved European and Chinese Risks at Current Rates

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
Hongkong, 18th August, 1909. [1083]

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The "Therol" water heater, which has been exhibited in London, stores the heat of a constantly-passing small electric current, and uses it for producing hot water as needed. The apparatus replaces or supplements the kitchen-range heater. A hollow iron block contains a coil of pipe surrounding a small electric heater, and is placed in the centre of a circular tank holding the water to be heated by passing through the coil. Both block and tank are covered with insulating material, the latter having double walls. A heater two feet high and two feet in diameter, using 200 watts of current, heats 25 to 30 gallons of water daily from 50 per cent. to 110 per cent. F., supplying a large quantity at lower temperature, or a smaller quantity of hotter water. It is claimed that the cost to consumer for electricity should be little more than \$5.00 per quarter, though the rate must necessarily vary with locality. The general adoption of these heaters would be advantageous to power stations, as during the hours for electric lighting the current could be cut off without seriously lessening the hot water and the station's current load would thus be equalized without increasing the maximum demand.

Earth movements that are not true earth quakes are recorded by seismographs. Prof. Cleveland Abbe points out that the covering of gravel, clay and sand—five, ten or fifty feet deep—acts like a sponge, and, permeated with air and water, responds to every change of pressure, so that slow tiltings result from rain, frost, changes in atmospheric pressure and in the load of snow and changes in the ocean level on coasts. Other movements of strain or release from strain in the rocky substratum are due to tides, volcanic heat and chemical changes, and changes from crystallization.

In connection with the International Labour Exhibition of 1911, a prize of \$10,000 has been offered the author of an invention practically advancing national economy.

On the island of Karkaton, in Sunda Strait, between Sumatra and Java, all animal and vegetable life was destroyed by the terrific volcanic explosion of Aug. 12, 1883, and the entire twelve square miles of surface was buried under a layer of pumice and ashes averaging ninety feet in thickness. The return of living forms to this new soil—which contains the elements necessary for plant growth except phosphorus and nitrogen—has been eagerly watched. Within three years Dr. Treub of Java found that various plants had already begun to grow; those of the interior being quite different from those near the coast, while ferns were remarkably preponderant, and slimy blue-green algae were specially active in preparing the soil for higher organisms. Another scientific visit was made in 1897, and the progress of the new flora up to 1906 has been lately reported by Prof. D. H. Campbell. The progress of the forest trees has been particularly rapid, and it is evident that the island will soon be covered with a luxuriant forest—an object lesson in the production of new forests under favourable tropical conditions. The nitrogen for vegetation has been collected in the soil by bacteria. The first plants to arrive—bacteria, blue-green algae, ferns and mosses—were brought by the wind, as were also the first grasses and flowering plants, but seeds and fruits seem to have been chiefly introduced by ocean currents.

Mining for wood is the rather unusual industry found at Mongtsu, Upper Tonkin, by the French Consul. At some time a pine forest was swallowed up, and the trees—lying in a slanting direction and some of them a yard in diameter—are covered by eight or ten yards of sandy soil. The perfect preservation of the tops indicates that the trees were buried at a comparatively recent period. The timber supplied seems to be imperishable, and is especially prized by the Chinese as coffin-making material.

The loss of an eye through the use of a plated surgical instrument has been reported by Dr. Rockliffe, a British surgeon. Inflammation following an operation made it necessary to remove the eye, and a bit of metal that seemed to have caused the inflammation proved to be plating from scissors used in the first operation. Peeling plating was found on other instruments.

Platinized glass, as is well known, acts as a mirror on the illuminated side, but appears like ordinary glass to persons on the darker side. As window panes it serves the usual purpose, while persons on the outside cannot see into the house. Various tricks with this glass have been causing amusement in France. In one of these a person approaches a mirror to note his appearance, when suddenly the mirror disappears and a grotesque figure stands before the startled spectator—this effect being produced by simply turning on illumination behind the glass. Ordinary glass may be readily platinized. A solution of a platinum salt is applied thinly to the surface, and the glass is then heated to redness, causing the platinum to be taken up and impart the curious property mentioned. The glass loses none of its transparency on the side opposite the stronger illumination.

A recent peculiar bit of engineering work at Netherton, England, was made possible by a new scientific appliance. At the Poison Furnaces, the piston-rod of a large vertical blowing engine was so bent in an accident that its removal

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from the cylinder seemed impossible. The director of an oxygen-supply company was called, and by means of the oxyhydrogen cutting blow-pipe the piston-rod—seven inches in diameter—was cut off close to the gland of the cylinder, the operation occupying only 35 minutes. The task was a very difficult one, as the cut had to be made at considerable height overhead, with the burning metal dropping and repeatedly setting fire to the wooden stage necessary.

An electric current from artificial teeth has been reported by a British dental authority. Pain in the patient's tongue had puzzled doctor and dentist, when an electrician, to whom the matter was usually mentioned, examined the teeth, finding that they were fixed to the composition plate by two metals. A galvanometer test showed that these metals, moistened by the saliva, generated a current strong enough to cause ulceration and severe pain.

THE STORY OF THE WAISTCOAT.

The waistcoat—when, at least, it is a "fancy vest"—is the last remaining vestige of the gorgeousness which was once displayed in men's dress; and on October 15, 1666, Pepys chronicles its first appearance, on the person of Charles II. The novel garment was a "long casock," as the diction terms it, worn close to the body; it was of "black cloth, pinked with white silk under it." Commenting on the introduction of the first waistcoat, Pepys says: "I wish the King may keep it, for it is a very fine and handsome garment." Without a doubt, these words show that Pepys hoped that the waistcoat might endure; and so it has come to pass, for from that day to this, although it has undergone many changes, the waistcoat has continued to be a part of men's dress, and there is nothing to suggest that it is in danger of being discarded. Man will agree that the waistcoat is a convenient and commendable garment, the absence of which would deprive them; to speak of another discomfort, of an invaluable set of pockets. It appears strange, therefore, that it should not have come into being at an earlier date. But as the close-fitting, slashed doublet—itself as brave and showy a garment as the "vanity of man" could desire—remained long in vogue, being still worn in the time of the first Stuart Sovereign, it is not difficult to suggest an explanation. The close doublet concealed the inner garment, whatever it may have been; the waistcoat proper was not evolved until the doublet, undergoing transformation into a coat, began to grow larger and looser, and to be worn slightly open so that the inner garment was revealed.

But this modification of the doublet did not at once bring the waistcoat into existence. Lengthening doublets, or coats, characterise the costume of Charles the First's time; they were, however, buttoned as far as the waist, at which point they allowed the shirt to be seen. In these waist-buttoned doublets the frockcoat of to-day is faintly foreshadowed, but it is clear that there were no waistcoats under them. The current fashion was to show the shirt, a strange hiatus between doublet and breeches. Such was the circumstance which attended the introduction of the waistcoat. It came in the name of economy and reform, but are long developed into an expensive and decorative garment as any which man has ever taken to himself. Gradually, it was extended downwards till it almost reached the knees; it was made of the richest materials; and the outer coat was slipped to hang well open to display its magnificence. Extravagance and love of finery were simply transferred from one style to another, and on the waistcoat was lavished all the embellishment which previously had been bestowed on the breeches. These flowered and embroidered waistcoats of showy satin, with lined lapels, and certainly have been less troublesome and fantastic than the preceding fashion, but whether they reduced the wearer's account with his tailor is highly doubtful. Certainly, their military purpose was utterly forgotten; they were so long as to require a dozen buttons, more or less, but from the waist upwards they were left unfastened to disclose the richly frilled shirt. This was a very different garment from the "casock" of softer black, tastefully relieved with glimpses of white silk, which it had been hoped would encourage a more restrained style of dress.

The long-sleeved waistcoat remained in favour many years. It was still worn by noblemen when George I. was king. In the following reign a somewhat shorter waistcoat was prevalent, and from this time the flap began to decrease in length. Instead of reaching almost to the knee it came only half-way down the thigh; as men's dress became more simplified towards the close of the 18th century, and puffing-lapels and ornamental ruffs were abandoned, the flap disappeared altogether. Some resemblance to it, however, is produced by the custom (which is said to be specially affected by Etoupe) of leaving the bottom button of the waistcoat undone.

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LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PEN- ANG, COLOMBO, Port Said and MARSEILLES	PALAWAN Capt. C. R. Longdon, R.N.R.	About 29th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	SUMATRA Capt. C. J. Banta	About 1st Jan.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	DEVANHA Capt. H. Powell	About 7th Jan.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON via USUAL PORTS OF CAL.	DELHI Capt. G. W. Gordon, R.N.R.	Noon, 8th Jan.	See Special Advertisement.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1909.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 28th Dec, 3 P.M.	
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 30th Dec, 4 P.M.	
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 2nd Jan, 4 P.M.	
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 4th Jan, 3 P.M.	
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 6th Jan, 4 P.M.	
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HAICHING Capt. W. G. Passmore	SWATOW, AMOY and FOOCHOW.	TUESDAY, 28th Dec., at 10 A.M.
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DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPENHA- GEN, GOTHENBURG and BALTIC PORTS	"CANTON"	About 5th Jan., 1910.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"INDIEN"	On 17th Jan., "
COPENHAGEN and BALTIC PORTS	"INDIEN"	Middle of Febr., "

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Hongkong, 11th December, 1909.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"LIENSHING"	Tuesday, 28th Dec, Noon.
SAMARANG & SOERABAYA	"CHUNSHANG"	Tuesday, 28th Dec, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"TUNGSHANG"	Wednesday, 29th Dec, 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG"	Friday, 31st Dec, Noon.
SHANGHAI	"KINGSANG"	Friday, 31st Dec, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Friday, 31st Dec, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Sunday, 2nd Jan, D'light
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG"	Wednesday, 5th Jan, Noon
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 7th Jan, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	"FOOKSANG"	Friday, 21st Jan, Noon.

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1909.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
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DESTINATION.	STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGA- PORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	TANGO MARU Capt. A. Christensen	8,000	WED'DAY, 5th Jan., at Daylight.
	KAMO MARU Capt. F. L. Sommer	9,000	WED'DAY, 19th Jan., at Daylight.
	AKI MARU Capt. K. Sato	7,000	WED'DAY, 2nd Feb., at Daylight.
VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE (INABA MARU leaving Hongkong 8th Jan., due Kobe 13th Jan., connects)	AWA MARU Capt. A. Keith	6,500	WED'DAY, 19th Jan., from YOKOHAMA.
VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE (NIKKO MARU leaving Hongkong 19th Jan., due Kobe 25th & Yokohama 27th Jan., connects)	SANUKI MARU Capt. K. Homma	6,500	SATURDAY, 29th Jan., from KOBE.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Seldine	5,000	FRIDAY, 21st Jan., at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi	6,000	THURSDAY, 17th Febr., at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TAKASAKI MARU Capt. A. Moeckel	5,000	TUESDAY, 28th December.
SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	TOTOMI MARU Capt. R. Smith	4,500	TUESDAY, 4th January.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	INABA MARU Capt. R. Takeda	6,500	SATURDAY, 8th Jan., at Daylight.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	ATSUTA MARU Capt. Wm. Thompson	9,000	FRIDAY, 14th Jan., at Noon.
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T. KUSUMOTO,
MANAGER.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1909.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS.	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE.
ZAFIRO	2540	B. Rodger	Manila	On 1st Jan., Noon.
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S.S. SAMBIA	2nd Febr.
S.S. ANDALUSIA	9th Febr.
S.S. SAXONIA	17th Febr.
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S.S. AMBERIA	12th March.

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TJIKINI	JAPAN	First half of Jan.	JAVA	First half of Jan.
TJIPANAS	JAPAN	First half of Jan.	JAVA	First half of Jan.
TJIBODAS	JAPAN	First half of Jan.	JAPAN	Second half of Jan.
TJILATJAP	JAVA	First half of Jan.	SHANGHAI	Second half of Jan.
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ASSAYE	7500	February 19	CHINA 8000	March 19	March 25
DELTA	8000	March 5	MALWA11000	April 2	April 8
MACEDONIA	10500	March 19	(Through Steamer calling at BOMBAY)	April 16	April 22
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* MALTA	6000	March
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* NORE	6700	May

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